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SUBJECT: 7TH SPECAIL SESSION--AMBASSADOR MOYNIHAN'S APPEARANCE IN WEO/G-77 CONTACT GROUP

1. AMBASSADOR MOYNIHAN SPOKE ON SEPTEMBER 8 IN THE CHIEF NEGO-TIATING FORUM OF THE 7TH SPECIAL SESSION, THE WEO/G-77 CONTACT GROUP WHICH IS CHAIRED BY MINISTER PRONK. AMBASSADOR MOYNIHAN ANNOUNCED THAT THE USG WOULD BE MAKING AVAILABLE SHORTLY AN INFORMAL WORKING PAPER FOR NEGOTIATING PURPOSES. HE EXPLAINED THAT DISCUSSIONS WITH G-77 MEMBERS AND OTHERS OVER THE PAST WEEK HAD REVEALED LARGE AREAS OF AGREEMENT ON PRINCIPLES, THE NEED FOR CONCRETE ACTIONS, AND, THEREFORE, FOR A COMPOSITE PAPER IDENTIFYING THE ELEMENTS OF THIS APPARENT CONVERGENCE OF VIEWS. THE US DELEGATION, WITH THIS SITUATION IN MIND, HAD PREPARED ITS INFORMAL WORKING PAPER AS A VEHICEL, CAPTURING ELEMEMTS OF THAT CONSENSUS AND EMBRACING THE US PROPOSALS IN THAT CONTEXT. HE UNCLASSIFIED

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WEN ON TO SAY THAT THE EMERGING CONSENSUS ON GENERAL

OBJECTIVES DID NOT MEAN, OF COURSE, THAT THERE WERE NOT MANY DISAGREEMENTS REMAINING ON THE ACTION NEEDED.

- 2. AMBASSADOR MOYNIHAN TERMEND THE WORK OF THE SPECIAL SESSION AS IMPORTANT IN THE EVOLUTION OF POLICY IN THE DIRECTION OF A NEW ECONOMIC ORDER. HE URGED THAT THE SESSION ACCELERATE ITS WORK TOWARD TRUE CONSENSUS AGREEMENT ON A FEW PRINCIPLES AND A FEW CONCRETE AND PRAGMATIC ACTIONS.
- 3. THE ITALIAN REP, SPEAKING FOR THE EEC, IMMEDIATELY SUGGESTED THAT THE CONTACT GROUP SUSPEND ITS WORK UNTIL THE MORNING OF SEPTEMBER 10 AND THUS GIVE THE DELS AN OPPORTUNITY TO EXAMINE AND STUDY THE US FINFORMAL PAPER.
- 4. AMBASSADOR HOVEYDA OF IRAN OBJECTED TO THIS SUGGESTION, ARGUING THAT THE WORK OF THE NEGOTIATING GROUPS SHOULD CONTINUE WITH ITS CONSIDERATION OF THE G-77 POSITION PAPER ON A PARAGRAPH-BY PARAGRAPH BASIS. THE REP OF THE IVORY COAST REITERATED THE IRANIAN SUGGESTION IN STRONGER TERMS. THE WEO/G-77 CONTACT GROUP THEN DECIDED TO RECESS AFTER DIRECTING THE NEGOTIATING GROUPS TO RECONVENE AFTER DINNER.
- 5. THE INFORMAL WORKING PAPER SUBMITTED BY THE US FOR NEGOTIATING PURPOSES WAS HANDED OUT TO THE DELEGATIONS ATTENDING THE NEGOTIATING GROUPS' EVENING SESSION.

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